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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

GERARD *et al.*

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For: **Compositions and Methods for
Reverse Transcription of Nucleic
Acid Molecules**



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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for filing a Notice of Appeal be extended one additional month, from January 30, 2001 to February 28, 2001, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$500.00 for the difference in cost between a two month extension (in the amount of \$390.00 paid on January 30, 2001 by our check no. 30212), and a three month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying Check No. 30514. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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